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1. A group of Rumanian and Soviet officers have lately undertaken an inspection of Rumanian frontier defenses, especially those along the west and northwestern frontiers. The purpose was to determine the effectiveness of these works.

The Soviet authorities had also been informed that the western frontier was in a rather weakened condition. This group was therefore formed in great haste and instructed to turn in a report as soon as possible.

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2. The Rumanian General Staff is now checking over the materiel and the cadres in these regions. Much of the materiel seems to have deteriorated and appears to require replacement. [redacted] large packing cases have been coming through railway stations, from the east. They are being sent to the frontier depots in the western part of the country.

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